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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

APPLICANT(S): Timothy R. Hansen et a.

SERIAL NO.:

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GROUP:

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EXAMINER:

FOR:

SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR MANIPULATING MAGNETIC

PARTICLES IN FLUID SAMPLES TO COLLECT DNA OR RNA FROM

A SAMPLE

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Prior to examination, please amend the present application as follows.

I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THIS CORRESPONDENCE IS BEING DEPOSITED WITH THE UNITED STATES POSTAL SERVICE AS FIRST CLASS MAIL IN AN ENVELOPE ADDRESSED TO: COMMISSIONER OF PATENTS AND TRADEMARKS, WASHINGTON, D.C. 20231
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Please cancel claims 1-11.

Respectfully submitted,

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